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From: Commanding Officer, USS WHITE PLAINS (AFS 4)

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Encl: (1) Command Organization 1990

(2) 1990 Chronology of Events

(3) 1990 Narrative of Events for USS WHITE PLAINS (AFS 4)

(4) Supporting Documents

1. Enclosures (1) through (4) are forwarded in accordance with reference (a).

B. W. PATTON

# COMMAND ORGANIZATION CALENDAR YEAR 1990

COMMANDING OFFICER:	BERNARD W. PATTON, CAPT. USN 01 JAN - 31
EXECUTIVE OFFICER:	DANIEL B. HALSTEAD, LCDR, USN 01 JAN - 31
SUPPLY OFFICER: JUN	(b) (6) CDR, USN 01 JAN - 15
SUPPLY OFFICER:	(b) (6) CDR, USN 15 JUN - 31
NAVIGATOR:	(b) (6) LT, USN 01 JAN - 14
OPERATIONS OFFICER/ NAVIGATOR:	(b) (6) LCDR, USN 01 MAY - 31
DEC ENGINEERING OFFICER: DEC	(b) (6) 01 JAN - 04
ENGINEERING OFFICER:	(b) (6) LT, USN 04 DEC - 31
FIRST LIEUTENANT: DEC	(b) (6) LCDR, USN 02 JAN - 31
SHIPS DOCTOR:	(b) (6) LT, USN 01 JAN - 20
SHIPS DOCTOR:	(b) (6) LT. USN 20 AUG - 31
COMMAND CHAPLAIN:	(b) (6) LT, USN 01 JAN - 26
COMMAND CHAPLAIN:	(b) (6) LT, USN 28 JUL - 31
ASST SUPPLY OFFICER: DEC	(b) (6) LCDR, USN 01 JAN - 31

# 1990 CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

# JANUARY

		VANOARI
-	15 17 22	LIGHT OFF EXAMINATION (LOE) COMMENCES. LOE ENDS. RESCHEDULED FOR 12 FEBRUARY 90 EOSS VALIDATION TEAM COMES ABOARD.
		FEBRUARY
	8	WHITE PLAINS CONDUCTED DOCK TRIALS. 3-M ASSIST VISIT ENS (b) (6)  A TOUR OF DUTY ONBOARD THE WHITE PLAINS. ENS (b) (6)  AND ENS (b) (6)  BECOME THE SECOND AND THIRD FEMALES TO REPORT FOR DUTY.
	12 27	SECOND LOE, HOT & COLD CHECKS.
		MARCH
	1 2 5 7 23 26	UNDERWAY FROM GUAM FOR YOKOSUKA, JAPAN SAFETY STAND-DOWN AMMO ONLOAD. HC-5 FLY OFF TO PARTICIPATE IN TEAM SPIRIT. ARRIVE YOKOSUKA, JAPAN VADM KIHUNE, COMNAVSURFPAC. VISITS SHIP. TRE IS CONDUCTED. SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED. SHIP IS READY TO TRAIN. UNDERWAY FROM JAPAN FOR SQTS (UNREP PROCEDURE EVALS) W/ USNS SPICA.
		APRIL
	1 6 9 10 14 15 16 17 30	ARRIVE PUSAN KOREA.  DEPART PUSAN TO UREP W/ USS OLDENDORF IN THE SEA OF JAPAN UNREP W/ OLDENDORF  CHALLENGED BY ROK FRIGATE IN SEA OF JAPAN.  3"50 & 50 CAL GUN SHOOT AND CIWS SHOOT.  EASTER DAY FLIGHT DECK COOK OUT.  WDC/CSMP PURGE.  A.R.E. AVIATION EXAM. COMPLETED.  COMBAT SYSTEMS READINESS TEST (CSRT) COMMENCES.
	_	MAY
	4 7 11 14 22	REFTRA COMMENCES.

Enclosure (2)

## JUNE

- 2 2S SWITCHBOARD FIRE
- 3 ANOTHER SWITCHBOARD FIRE
- 4 FLOODING IN THE TRAINING ROOM
- 8 OPERATIONS PARTY
- GOVERNOR ON DEISEL MALFUNCTIONING. STILL UNABLE TO GET UNDERWAY.
- 15 DIESEL TEST SAT.
- 16 1530, DEPARTED SUBIC BAY PHILLIPINES. U/W ENROUTE TO GUAM, M.I.
- 17 TROPICAL STORM WARNING CONDITION I. (TROPICAL STORM OFELIA)
- 18 STORM EVASION PAST SAN BERNARDINO STAITS. TURNED TO COURSE 190T FOR 300 MILES.
- EVADED STORM. BACK ON TRACK, COURSE 100T FOR 126NM THEN 070T FOR 926NM. ROUGH SEAS AND STRONG WINDS. HATCH LEADING UP TO MASTHEAD LIGHTS BROKE LOOSE SM3 (b) (6) AND OSSN (D) (6) RECOVER.
- 20 SEAS SLOWLY CALMING DOWN.
- 22 0130. ARRIVED GUAM.
- 29 COMMENCE CINCPACFLT OPERATION PROPULSION PLANT EXAM.
- 30 30 HRS LATER, OPPE COMPLETE. PASSED TWO (2) ABOVE AVERAGE MARKS.

#### JULY

- 4 FULL DRESS SHIP FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY
- 9 JAPANESE ESCORT FLOTILLA TWO (4 SHIPS) ARRIVED GUAM. WHITE PLAINS RENDERED HONORS. JAPANESE RECEPTION HELD AT THE TOP 'O THE MAR OFFICERS CLUB.
- JAPANESE HOLD RECEPTION ONBOARD JDS KURAMA (DDH 144) FOR OFFICERS SELECTED V.I.P.'s MILITARY PERSONNEL FROM VARIOUS BASES. 14 WHITE PLAINS OFFICERS.
- 16 LINE HANDLERS PLUS ONE (1) SUPERVISOR CAST OFF THE JAPANESE FLOTILLA AT 0850. WHITE PLAINS RENDERED HONORS.
- MOVE FROM SIERRA PIER TO X-RAY PIER FOR ONLOAD OF FREEZE AND CHILL CARGO
- 17 MOVE BACK TO SIERRA PIER FOR DEPENDENTS CRUISE PREPARATIONS.
- 18 DEPENDENTS CRUISE
  - (1) 3" 50 SHOOT 120 ROUNDS
  - (2) FIRE DRILL
  - (3) MAN OVERBOARD DRILL SMALL BOAT RECOVERY
  - (4) CIWS SHOOT
  - (5) PICNIC FLIGHT DECK MAIN COURSE, ROAST PIG
- 19 COMMENCE SUPPLY ONLOAD
- 22 COMPLETE SUPPLY ONLOAD
- 23 0900 HC-5 FLY-ON (6 PILOTS PLUS 21 CREWMEN)
- 24 JULY. 1990 WESTPAC DEPLOYMENT BEGINS U/W PHILLIPINES
- 25 FLIGHT OPS
- 26 FLIGHT OPS
- TACAN CERT PERFORMED 12 MILES OUTSIDE OF SUBIC BAY.
  EVERYTHING CHECKED OUT FUNCTIONAL. ARRIVED SUBIC BAY R.P.
  Enclosure (2)

MOORED STBD SIDE NSD PIER FOR SUPPLY ONLOAD AND TO TAKE ON FUEL.

30 DEPART SUBIC BAY, R.P.

#### AUGUST

- 2 ENTER SINGAPORE STRAIT. SET FULL NAVIGATION DETAIL FROM 2300 TO 0900 AND THEN WENT TO A MODIFIED NAV. DETAIL UNTIL OUT OF THE NARROW PART MALACCA STRAIT.
- 3 ENTER MALACCA STRAIT. SECURED MODIFIED NAV DETAIL AT 1830.
- 4 STILL TRANSITING THE MALACCA STRAIT.
- 8 CAME UP ON BG/TG COMMAND NET. CIC ASSUMED GUARD. PLAYERS INCLUDED AA. CHIEF OF STAFF FROM JTFME HEADQUARTERS. DB, CWC, EMBARKED ON USS INDEPENDENCE (CV-62). USS CIMMARON (AO-177), USS REASONER (FF- 1063, AND USS GOLDSBOROUGH (DDG-20)

#### OPERATION DESERT SHIELD

- 10 CONDITION III SET AT 1000
- 11 RDVU W/ USS INDEPENDENCE FOR VERTREP. EVOLUTION BEGAN AT 1110 AND ENDED AT 1308. USED BOTH HELO'S (03 & 10). PICKED UP AND DELIVERED MAIL. BROKE AWAY WITH A MAX FLANK BELL TO RDVU WITH USS CIMMARON AND USS REASONER TO VERTREP. 1700, ROMEO HAULED UP TO STBD ON CIMMARON, HAULED UP TO PORT ON WHITE PLAINS FOR CONSOL OF DFM AND JP-5. VERTREP CONDUCTED SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH REASONER.
- 0500, RDVU WITH CV-62. 06004000 YDS ASTERN. 0630TOOK STATION 3000 YDS AHEAD OF THE CC V-62. 0730 CV-62 ALONGSIDE FOR CONREP AND VERTREP WITH BOTH HELO'S. 1100 BROKE AWAY AND CONTINUED TO RDVU WITH GOLDSBOROUGH AND FLINT FOR VERTREP WITH BOTH HELO'S WHICH BEGAN AT 1400 AND ENDED AT 1500. BROKE AWAY AND CONTINUED TO RDVU WITH JOUETT AND REASONER FOR VERTREP WHICH BEGAN AT 2000 AND ENDED AT 0100.
- 0630 COMMENCED VERTREP W/CV-62. 0700 COMMENCED CONREP W/CV-62. CONREP/VERTREP ENDED AT 1000. CV-62,s HELO'S DOWN, SO WHITE PLAINS HELO'S CONDUCT VERTREP FROM HER DECK TO TWO OTHER SHIPS IN COMPANY. PROCEEDED TO OPAREA C-22 TO AWAIT PRE-SCHEDULED EVENING REPLENISHMENT WITH CV-62.
- 14 0630 RDVU W/CV-62. 0700 FLIGHT QUARTERS SET 0730 STATIONED ON CARRIER FOR VERTREP WHILE ONE HELO (NIGHT RIDER 10) LIFTS OFF TO FOR PICK-UP MPSRON TWO AND HIS STAFF. 1445 NIGHTRIDER 10 RETURNS WITH MSPRON TWO AND STAFF AND LIFTS OFF AGAIN TO TRANSFER PAX TO CV-62.
- RDVU W/ MPS SHIPS TO DEBARK MPSRON TWO AND HIS STAFF. WHITE PLAINS BROUGHT INTO SCREEN KILO WITH BATTLE GROUP DELTA
- DEPARTED SCREEN KILO AND HEADED FOR DESIGNATED OPAREA F-21.

  0730 RDVU W/USS FLINT (AE-32) TO CONDUCT MINE EXCERCISES.
  WHITE PLAINS SUNK BOTH TARGETS. AT FINEX, THE TWO SHIPS
  CONDUCTED LEAP FROGS UNTIL 1300 AT WHICH TIME ONE OF OUR
  HELO'S PICKED UP FLINT'S C.O. FOR HIS EMBARKATION ONBOARD
  WHITE PLAINS.
- 17 1100 CONSOL W/ FLINT.

- 0800 MOORED PORT SIDE TO BERTH #6 IN MUTRAH HARBOR MASQUAT, OMAN. A LIBERTY BUS WAS AVAILABLE. STARTED FF&V ONLOAD. PALLETS HAD TO BE MADE UP DUE TO INDIVIDUAL CONTAINERS ON TRAILERS. EMBASSY OFFICIALS ALONG WITH MARINE EMBASSY GUARDS CAME ABOARD TO BRIEF THE WARDROOM ON COUNTRY CUSTOMS, ETC. THERE WERE TWO FEMALE REPS. WHO CAME ABOARD TO SELL DESERT SHIELD T-SHIRTS.
- 19 DEPART MASQUAT. 1400 CONSOL W/ USNS HIGGINS.
- 20 0700 CONREP/VERTREP W/CV-62. 1300 CONREP/VERTRET W/ USS FLINT

#### FIRST PERSIAN GULF TRANSIT

- 21 RDVU W/ USS TAYLOR (FFG-50) FOR VERTREP. SHE ESCORTED US UP TO AND THROUGH THE STRAIT OF HORMUZ WHERE WE WERE AT CONDITION I (GENERAL QUARTERS) WHICH WAS SET AT 1500. 2000 SET CONDITION II AFTER EXITING THE STRAIT AND SILKWORM MISSILE ENVELOPE THREAT.
  - USS BARBEY BECOMES OUR ESCORT. 1130 RDVU W/ USS VANDERGRIFF FOR VERTREP. DETACHED TO RDVU W/ USS ANTIETAM (CG-54) AND USS ROBERT G. BRADLEY (FFG-49) FOR VERTREP AND AMMO TRANSFER. 1400 EVOLUTION SECURED. CONTINUED ON TO ANCHORAGE IN BAHRAIN.
  - ANCHORED ADJACENT TO USS ENGLAND (CG-22) IN BAHRAIN. MADE LIBERTY RUNS INTO BAHRAIN FLEET LANDING WITH UB1 BOAT. ASU BAHRAIN VISITED THE SHIP. 1700 SEA AND ANCHOR DETAIL. 1830 UNDERWAY.
- 0700 RDVU W/ USS REID AND USS BARBEY FOR VERTREP. EVOLUTION SECURED AT 1200. 1330 RDVU W/ USS WISCONSIN (BB-64) FOR VERTREP MEDIA BOATS AND HELO'S SWARM THE AREA. 1430 COMMENCE VERTREP AND RECEIVED SH-2F HELO FROM BATTLE SHIP W/ MEDICAL PATIENT TO BE TREATED BY WHITE PLAINS DOCTOR.
- 25 0600 RDVU W/ CIMMARON FOR CONSOL. 1100 COMMENCE DUAL CONSOL/CONREP W/CIMMARON WHILE TRANSFERRING MEDICAL PATIENT TO CIMMARON VIA HELO 1430 VERTREP W/ JOUETT.
- 27 LOG HELO (CH-46 #55) FROM FLINT ARRIVED TO BRING PERSONNEL FROM CV- 62 AND FLINT, PLUS SUPPLIES AND PARTS FOR OUR HELO INCLUDING A AIMD TECHNICIAN TO REPAIR ONE OF OUR HELO'S.
- O700 RDVU W/JOUETT TO COMMENCE BOARDING EXCERCISE AT 0800.
  JOUETT BOARDING TEAM CAME ABOARD TO SEARCH IRAQI MERCHANT
  "BA BA GOO GOO" (WHITE PLAINS) SUSPECTED TO BE CARRYING
  WEAPONS ENROUTE IRAQ. BA BA GOO GOO TOOK THE BOARDING PARTY
  HOSTAGE AND EACH SIDE SIMULATED A KILL OF ONE MAN. FINEX
  1100. 1200 RDVU WITH CIMMARON FOR MINE GUNNERY EXCERCISE
  WHITE PLAINS SUNK BOTH TARGETS 1300 COMMECED CIWS SHOOT
  AND 3"50 CAL SHOOT EXPENDED 60 ROUNDS FROM BOTH CIWS'.
  EXPENDED TWO (2) ROUNDS FROM EACH OF THE FOUR (4) 3"50
  BARRELS. FINEX 1700 PROCEEDED TO OPAREA F-21.

Enclosure (2)

- 29 0500 RDVU W/CV-62. COMMENCED UNREP & VERTREP AT 0600. 30 LOG HELO FROM WHITE PLAINS PERFORMED PERSONNEL TRANSFER
  - LOG HELO FROM WHITE PLAINS PERFORMED PERSONNEL TRANSFER AMONG CIMMARON, USNS HIGGINS, FLINT, REASONER, JOUETT AND INDEPENDENCE. 1500 VERTREP USNS HIGGINS. 1800 VERTREP REASONER.

#### SEPTEMBER

- OUR SCHEDULED ARRIVAL TIME INTO FUJAIRAH UAE DELAYED. EMBASSY UNABLE TO OBTAIN CLEARANCE
- 2 FUJAIRAH PORT CONTROL INFORMS US THAT WE WON'T BE ABLE TO PULL IN ANY EARLIER THAN 2100. UNAVAILABILITY OF BERTHS PERSISTED AND WE FINALLY PULLED IN PORT SIDE TO BERTH #1 AT 0430 3 SEP 90.
- 3 0500 COMMENCED FF&V ONLOAD 2100 SECURED FROM STORES ONLOAD. 2200 SEA AND ANCHOR DETAIL. 2250 U/W FROM FUJAIRAH UAE.
- 4 0700 RDVU W/ CV-62 AND JOUETT. 1400 RDVU W/ CIMMARON. CONDUCTED LEAP FROGS UNTIL 1530. 1600 CONDUCTED CONSOL (LOCATED IN F-22)
- 5 **0500** RDVU W/ CV-62 FOR VERTREP. WHITE PLAINS ASSISTED FLINT IN DUAL VERTREP OF THE CARRIER.
- 6 0700 RDVU W/ USNS ANDREW J. HIGGINS (190), USNS KILAUEA (26), FLINT. REASONER, USS GOLDSBOROUGH (CG-20) AND CIMMARON. CONREP W/ FLINT AND VERTREP WITH EVERYONE ELSE. EVOLUTION SECURED AT 1200.
- 8 **0600** RDVU W/ CB-62 USNS HIGGINS, JOUETT GOLDSBOROUGH AND INDEPENDENCE FOR VERTREP.
- 9 MOORED PORT SIDE TO BERTH #4 AT NAS RESUPPLY PORT IN FUJAIRAH, UAE TO ONLOAD 12 CONTAINERS OF STORES.
- U/W FROM FUJAIRAH TO RDVU W/ USS SCHENECTADY (LST-1185), USS SAN BERNADINO (LST-1189) AND USS DUBUQUE (LPD-8). CONREP SCHENECTADY AND VERTREP OTHERS WHILE ENROUTE FOR RDVU POINT W/CARRIER.
- 12 0730 RDVU W/ USS FORT MCHENRY (LSD-43), USS OGDEN (LPD-5), USS OKINAWA (LPH-3) AND USS DURHAM (LKA-114). SIMULTANEOUS CONREP W/ OGDEN TO PORT AND FORT MCHENRY TO STBD WHILE CONDUCTING VERTREP WITH OKINAWA AND DURHAM. USNS HASSAYAMPA IN COMPANY
- 13 **0500** RDVU W/ CV-62, JOUETT, USNS KILAUEA, USS CAYUGA (LST-1186) FLINT AND REASONER. CONREP USS INDEPENDENCE (CV-62) WHILE CONDUCTING VERTREP WITH OTHER UNITS.
- 14 1030 RDVU W/ USNS MERCY (HOSPITAL SHIP) FOR VERTREP. TURNED BACK DUE NORTH TO RDVU W/ CV-62 & REASONER W/ MERCY IN COMPANY. TWO (2) F-14 TOMCATS MADE THREE (3) FLY BY'S AS WE CONDUCTED CHAFF EXCERCISES. MANAGED TO BREAK THE TOMCATS LOCK-ON TEMPORARILY ON TWO PASSES AND FAILED TO DO SO ON THE OTHER.
- 15 0600 FDVU W/ JOUETT, GOLDSBOROUGH AND FF-1086 FOR VERTREP. 1700 FLIGHT DECK PICNIC ENROUTE TO NAS RESUPPLY PORT IN FUJAIRAH.
- 16 1000 PICKED UP PILOT. 1100 MOORED PORT SIDE TO BERTH #1 AND COMMENCED ONLOAD IMMEDIATELY
- 19 U/W FROM FUJAIRAH TO VERTREP USS GOLDSBOROUGH (DDG-20).
- 20 0500 RDVU W/ INDEPENDENCE, FLINT, GOLDSBOROUGH AND ANDREW Enclosure (2)

- J. HIGGINS FOR SIMULTANEOUS CONREP INDEPENDENCE TO PORT & FLINT TO STBD. AND VERTREP WITH THE OTHERS.
- 21 1100 RDVU W/ REASONER FOR VERTREP.
- 22 1200 RDVU W/ GOLDSBOROUGH & USNS KILAUEA FOR PASSENGER TRANSFERS AS WELL AS PARTS AND MAIL DELIVERY. FLINT'S HELO IS DOWN, SO NIGHT RIDERS 03 & 10 ASSIST HER. 1530 TO 1700 FOR HELO RIDES FOR CREW AND THEN WE DETACHED THE GROUP ENROUTE NAS RESUPPLY PORT FUJAIRAH.
- 23 **1000** PICK UP PILOT. **1030** MOORED PORT SIDE TO BERTH #1 WE HAD LUNCH AND COMMENCED THE ONLOAD AT 1300. LOADED A TOTAL OF 27 CONTAINERS.
- 24 2040 FINISHED ONLOAD AND U/W. OPEN HOUSE FOR HELO RIDES AGAIN.
- 25 RDVU W/ CV-62 TO STEAM WITH THE BATTLE GROUP FOR A WHILE. SECOND TRANSIT INTO THE PERSIAN GULF
- DETACHED FROM BATTLE GROUP AND PROCEEDED INTO THE PERSIAN GULF.
- 27 RDVU W/ SCHENECTADY & SAN BERNADINO, THEN ONTO RDVU W/
  USS BARBEY & USS O'BRIEN (DD-975) THEN ONTO RDVU W/
  WISCONSIN. ALL EVOLUTIONS WERE COMPLETED USING VERTREP.
  THEN PROCEEDED ONTO SITRA ANCHORAGE IN BAHRAIN AND WE WERE
  ANCHORED BY 0145.
- THE WISCONSIN CAME INTO THE SITRA ANCHORAGE LATER ON THAT 28 MORNING AND ANCHORED APPROXIMATELY 2000 YDS OFF OF OUR PORT BEAM. ALSO ANCHORED IN COMPANY WITH US WAS CIMMARON. MERCY AND SAN BERNADINO. WE OFF LOADED STORES FOR USS BLUE RIDGE (LCC-9), CIMMARON AND MERCY VIA BARGE BEFORE GETTING UNDERWAY AT 1045. PROCEEDED ONTO RDVU W/ USNS COMFORT (HOSPITAL SHIP) WHO WAS ANCHORED NEAR THE BAHRAIN BELL BOUY. ENROUTE, WE MET UP WITH USS ANTIETAM (CG-54) AND DUBUQUE AND PROCEEDED AWAY FROM BAHRAIN BELL TO VERTREP WITH THEM. CHANGED COURSE SEVERAL TIMES TO REMAIN WITHIN 5NM OF COMFORT. WE FINISHED ANTIETAM FIRST, SO WHITE PLAINS AND DUBUQUE PROCEEDED BACK TO THE COMFORT AND ANCHORED TO COMPLETE VERTREP WITH BOTH SHIPS. THE EVOLUTION COMMENCED AT 1700 AND SECURED AT 1930. 2000 U/W AND CONTINUED OUTBOUND TRANSIT OF THE PERSIAN GULF.
- 30 **0645** MOORED STBD SIDE TOO BERTH #1 FUJAIRAH UAE. COMMENCED ONLOAD.

#### OCTOBER

- 1 INPORT FUJAIRAH.
- 2 0615 SEA AND ANCHOR DETAIL. 0702 U/W. CAPTAIN PATTON DEPARTS SHIP BY TUG ENROUTE TO USS SAN JOSE (AFS-7) WHO IS PULLING INTO THE SAME BERTH THAT JUST LEFT. 0750 ANCHORED 1500 YARDS OUTSIDE THE BREAKWATER. 1130 CAPTAIN RETURNS AND WE GET U/W TO PROCEED TO OUR OPAREA (F-21)
- 3 0700 RDVU W/ USNS HASSAYMPA FOR CONSOL. 0800 FLINT ARRIVES FOR CONREP. 1230 RDVU W/ USS BREWTON (FF-1086), REASONER FOR VERTREP. WENT ONTO NEXT RDVU POINT AND WENT DIW (10 RPM) FOR FISHING CALL.
- 4 0700 RDVU W/ USS CIMMARON FOR VERTREP. 0900 PROCEED TO Enclosure (2)

- INTERCEPT SAN JOSE FOR PAX TRANSFER.
- 5 **0500** RDVU W/ CV-62 FOR CONREP/VERTREP. OTHER SHIPS IN COMPANY INCLUDED CIMMARON, JOUETT AND REASONER. THEN WE WENT ON TO RDVU W/ USNS KILAEUA AND GOLDSBOROUGH.
- 6 HEAD BACK TO SE CORNER OF F-22 OPAREA.
- 7 0800 HEAD INPORT FUJAIRAH. MOORED PORT SIDE TO BERTH #4. COMMENCE ONLOAD. THERE WERE LIBERTY BUSES TRANSITING TO AND FROM DUBAI.
- 8 ONLOAD CONTINUES. DUBAI LIBERTY CANCELLED DUE TO DEATH OF DUBAI PRESIDENT.
- 9 **0715** U/W FROM NAS RESUPPLY PORT FUJAIRAH. **1430** RDVU W/DUBUQUE FOR VERTREP.
- 10 0630 RDVU W/ CIMMARON, USNS HASAYAMPA JOUETT GOLDSBOROUGH AND FLINT FOR ALL VERTREP. 1000 RDVU W/ REASONER FOR VERTREP.
- 11 0700 RDVU W/ CV-62, USNS KILAEUA. USNS HASAYAMPA, REASONER, CIMMARON JOUETT, FLINT AND GOLDSBOROUGH VERTREP INDEPENDENCE AND KILAEUA.
- 12 0730 RDVU W/ USNS KILAUEA FOR CONSOL MODLOC W/ CV-62, CIMMARON, GOLDSBOROUGH. JOUETT, FLINT AND USNS KILAEUA WHILE AWAITING LOG HELO FROM FLINT. DETACHED TO HEAD TO SE CORNER TO RDVU W/ USNS SPICA
- STILL ENROUTE TO RDVU W/ SPICA (OUR RELIEF). 1300 RDVU W/SPICA FOR VERTREP (17 KTS).

### DETACHED FROM OPERATION DESERT SHIELD

- 1638, DETACHED FROM BATTLE GROUP DELTA AND OPERATION DESERT SHIELD. WE PROCEED OUT OF THE NORTH ARABIAN SEA ENROUTE TO LIBERTY IN THAILAND.
- 16 INTER-COMMAND 3-M INSPECTION.
- 22 ARRIVE THAILAND. MOORED STBD SIDE TO BERTH ONE (1) AT PHUKET DEEP SEA PORT. BREASTED OUT IN BERTH TWO (2) WAS USS OLENDORF (DDG-972) AND USS CURTS (FFG-38).
- 25 (FFG-38) AND (DDG-972) U/W
- 26 0800 SHARP, WHITE PLAINS U/W ENROUTE TO HONG KONG

#### NOVEMBER

- 1 1400 ARRIVE HONG KONG. MOORED TO BOUY 51 LIBERTY CALL.
- 5 0800 DEPART HONG KONG ENROUTE SUBIC BAY, R.P.
- 7 1500 FTG WESTPAC CAME ABOARD TO CONDUCT NAVIGATION CHECK RIDE. THE EXAMINATION CONSISTED OF A MINE FIELD SWEPT CHANNEL DRILL, A LOW VISIBILITY DRILL, A LOSS OF GYRO DRILL AND A PRECISON ANCHORAGE DRILL ALL EVOLUTIONS RECEIVED A GRADE OF 100%. 1700 ARRIVE SUBIC BAY, R.P.
- 8 1300 DEPART SUBIC BAY, R.P. ENROUTE GUAM, M.I.
- 11 1400 MOORED STBD SIDE TO WHARF SIERRA IN GUAM.

#### DECEMBER

- 6 MOVE TO WHARF KILO TO OFF LOAD AMMO. MOVE BACK TO WHARF SIERRA.
- 17 0600 DEAD STICK MOVE INT AFDM-8 (DRY DOCK). 1330 DRY DOCK Enclosure (2)

- WATER FREE. SHIP RESTING ON KEEL BLOCKS

  TYPHOON RUSS CONDITION I. MARRIED AND NONESSENTIAL
  PERSONNEL GO HOME. DRY DOCK WAS BLOWN WESTWARD
  APPROXIMATELY 60 FT AT ONE POINT CAUSING CHT LINES TO PART
  AND THE DRYDOCK CAUSEWAY TO SEPARATE FROM THE DRYDOCK AS
  WELL SUFFER STRUCTURAL DAMAGE. WINDS GUSTED UP TO 100 MPH.
  WHITE PLAINS HELO HANGAR DOORS BUCKLED SEVERELY UNDER THE
  HEAVY WIND PRESSURE. TELEPHONE LINES WENT DOWN. ON/OFF
  ACCESS TO THE SHIP WAS NOT AVAILABLE.
- 21 WHITE PLAINS COMMENCES MODIFIED CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY STAND DOWN.
- 22 POWER RESTORED. ON/OFF ACCESS TO THE SHIP RESTORED.
- CHRISTMAS DINNER ABOARD SHIP WAS EXTREMELY NICE. FOUNTAIN TYPE PUNCH BOWLS WERE SET UP AND THE DINNER TABLE WAS COVERED WITH A DIVERSE AND PLENTIFUL SELECTION OF FOODS TO EAT
- CHRISTMAS PARTY AT MACOMBOS FOR WHITE PLAINS AND THEIR GUESTS. THERE WERE OVER 250 PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE. DINNER WAS, AGAIN, EXCELLENT, ALSO, WITH A LARGE SELECTION OF GOOD FOOD TO EAT. AFTERWARDS, THE MUSIC. DISK JOCKEY INCLUDED, WAS STARTED AND EVERYONE HAD FUN.

THE USS WHITE PLAINS (AFS-4) HAD A VERY SUCCESSFUL CALENDAR YEAR. THE YEAR BEGAN WITH A SERIES OF INSPECTIONS AND EXAMS, BEGINING WITH A LIGHT OFF (LOE) EXAMINATION IN JANUARY AND IN FEBRUARY THE TRAINING READINESS EVALUATION (TRE) WAS PERFORMED IN MARCH IN APRIL, WE HAD THE AVIATION READINESS EXAM (A.R.E.) AND THE COMBAT SYSTEMS READINESS TEST (CSRT). REFRESHER TRAINING (REFTRA) AND THE WHITE PLAINS WORK DEFINITION CONFERENCE OCCURED IN MAY. IN JUNE, THE WHITE PLAINS STARTED FINAL PREPARATIONS FOR THE UPCOMING WESTERN PACIFIC (WESTPAC) DEPLOYMENT WHICH BEGAN IN JULY.

ON JULY 24, 1990, THE ORIENT EXPRESS DEPARTED ITS HOMEPORT IN APRA HARBOR GUAM FOR DEPLOYMENT TO THE INDIAN OCEAN. A FEW DAYS AFTER GETTING UNDERWAY, SHE WAS SENT A MESSAGE TO PROCEED ON INTO THE NORTH ARABIAN SEA (NAS) TO BECOME AN OPERATIONAL PLAYER WITH THE USS INDEPENDENCE (CV-62) BATTLE GROUP AND THE NAS INTERDICTION FORCE. WHAT STARTED OUT AS A NINE (9) WEEK DEPLOYMENT, WAS NOW TURNED INTO A MISSION WHOSE END COULD NOT BE DETERMINED.

ON AUGUST 10, 1990 AT 1000 HOURS, THE ORIENT EXPRESS WAS ON STATION AT HER SCHEDULED RENDEZVOUS POINT WITH THE USS INDEPENDENCE FOR HER FIRST OF OVER 100 UNDERWAY REPLENISHMENT STORES TRANSFERS TO THE NAVAL UNITS OPERATING IN THE SOUTHEAST ASIA AREA OF OPERATION. THIS WAS ONLY THE BEGINNING. THE TREMENDOUS INFUSION OF MILITARY PERSONNEL INTO THE AREA CREATED THE NEED FOR GREATER AFS SUPPORT. IN ADDITION TO THE INDEPENDENCE BATTLE GROUP, WE WERE CALLED UPON TO SUPPORT TWO AMPHIBIOUS READINESS GROUPS, THE TWO HOSPITAL SHIPS, THE BATTLE SHIP WISCONSIN AND OVER 12 OTHER SHIPS IN THE ARABIAN GULF. FROM WHITE PLAINS INCEPTION INTO THE NAS OPERATIONS UNTIL ONE WEEK BEFORE SHE WAS DETACHED, SHE WAS THE ONLY READY AFS OPERATING IN THE MIDDLE EAST. THE ORIENT EXPRESS KEPT EVERY APPOINTMENT AND PERFORMED THE SHIP'S MISSION PROMPTLY, EFFICIENTLY AND EXPEDITIOUSLY.

THE TEMPO OF OPERATIONS WAS INTENSE. THE WHITE PLAINS SUPPLIED SHIPS ON BOTH A SCHEDULED AND AN UNSCHEDULED BASIS. THE CREW PROVED TO BE CONSISTENT. FLEXIBLE AND UNBELIEVABLY PROFICIENT AS IT HANDLED OVER 17,351 SUPPLY REQUISITIONS. SHE DELIVERED A TOTAL OF 6679 PALLETS OF CARGO TO 48 SHIPS WHICH CAME TO A TOTAL WEIGHT NEARING 3622 TONS. THIS FEAT WAS REMARKABLE ENOUGH. BUT EVEN MORE OUT-STANDING WAS THE FACT THAT SHE DID IT ALL SAFELY AND WITHOUT ANY INJURIES OR INCIDENTS.

THE AVERAGE REPLENISHMENT EVOLUTION REQUIRED THE TRANSFER OF 35 TONS OF CARGO. THE AVERAGE TIME OF EACH REPLENISHMENT, FROM APPROACH TO BREAK-AWAY, WAS FIVE (5) HOURS. THE WHITE PLAINS SPENT 64 DAYS (PLUS) IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION DESERT SHIELD FOR A TOTAL OF 1,540 HOURS. 515 OF THOSE HOURS WERE SPENT DOING UNREP, AND 120 ADDITIONAL HOURS OF THAT TIME WAS SPENT RELOADING THE SHIP FOR MORE UNREPS. THERE WAS NOT MUCH TIME IN THE SCHEDULE FOR RELAXATION. A TYPICAL DAY OF OPERATIONS WOULD START WITH AN EARLY MORNING RENDEZVOUS, AT ABOUT 0500 HOURS, USUALLY WITH FOUR (4) SHIPS AT A TIME. AS THE RENDEZVOUS TIME DREW NEARER. THE PARTICIPANTS IN THAT PARTICULAR EVOLUTION WOULD BEGIN TO APPEAR ON THE HORIZONS IN THE NORTH, EAST. SOUTH AND WEST. WITH ALL OF THEM APPROACHING A COMMON

AREA, COORDINATION AND THE CONSEQUENT NEED FOR COMMUNICATIONS WAS PARAMOUNT. WHEN EVERYONE WAS IN STATION, THE WHITE PLAINS WOULD SEND CARGO OVER TO ONE SHIP ON TWO SEPARATE LINES THAT HAD BEEN CONNECTED BETWEEN THE SHIPS WHILE HER TWO HELOCOPTERS WERE TAKING CARGO FROM HER FLIGHT DECK TO THE REST OF THE SHIPS. THIS WAS A NORMAL UNREP. PERIODICALLY, SHE WOULD FIND HERSELF WITH TWO SEPARATE LINES CONNECTING HER TO TWO SEPARATE SHIPS SIMULTANEOUSLY, ONE ON EITHER SIDE, WHILE HER TWO HELOCOPTERS WERE JOINED BY SEVERAL OTHER HELOCOPTERS TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO UP TO TEN (10) SHIPS DURING AN EVOLUTION.

AS THE WHITE PLAINS LEAVES THE NORTH ARABIAN SEA AND OPERATION DESERT SHIELD, THEY CAN FEEL PROUD OF THE FACT THAT THEY CARRIED OUT THEIR MISSION SMARTLY. THE ENTIRE CREW PULLED TOGETHER AS ONE UNIT TO GET THE JOB DONE. THE ENGINEERS PROVIDED POWER AND REPAIR SUPPORT TO ENABLE DECK PERSONNEL TO MOVE AND TRANSFER THE STORES THAT SUPPLY PERSONNEL HAD PICKED AND READIED. OPERATIONS AND NAVIGATION DEPARTMENTS PROVIDED SKILLFUL COORDINATION AND SCHEDULING WITH THE REST OF THE BATTLE GROUP AND OUR OTHER ALLIES AS WELL AS PLOTTING COURSES FOR REDEZVOUS TO MAKE EVERY UNREP GO WITHOUT A HITCH. WITHOUT A DOUBT, THE CREW OF THE WHITE PLAINS IS TO BE COMMENDED FOR THEIR DEDICATED AND UNTIRING EFFORTS DURING LONG WORK HOURS TO MEET A CONTINUALLY INCREASING SUSTENANCE DEMAND BY U.S. AND ALLIED FORCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST. EVEN THOUGH THE CREW EXPRESSES THEIR DESIRE TO GET BACK TO THEIR LOVED ONES. THEY ALSO HAVE MIXED EMOTIONS ABOUT THE SAILORS AND SOLDIERS THEY LEAVE BEHIND. OPERATING WITH SUCH A LARGE NUMBER OF SHIPS. SET THE STAGE FOR SEVERAL REUNIONS FOR MOST OF THE WHITE PLAINS CREW. SOME FROM BOOTCAMP. SOME FROM VARIOUS TRAINING COMMANDS, SOME FROM PREVIOUS SHIPS AND, HARDEST TO LEAVE BEHIND, THOSE FROM THE FAMILY LIVING ROOM: BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: 7-/3

FROM: CARGO OFFICER
TO: SUPPLY OFFICER

SUBJ: PALLET COUNTS FOR THE 90 CRUISE TO DATE

BREAKDOWN FREEZE	BY COMMODITY 465	BREAKDOWN VERTREP	BY TYPE 2119
CHILL	522	CONREP	1006
DRY S/S	771 172	INREP	54 31 <i>7</i> 9
GSK SODA ,	335 488		
LUHT .	Z8		
FLT/FRT MAIL	34 <b>7</b> 1		
TOTAL	3179		

Very respectfully,

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#### MEMORANDUM

21 Sep 90

From: Cargo Officer

To: All divisions concerned

Subj: NAS REBUPPLY PORT LOAD PLAN FOR 23-24 SEP

- 4. FFV WILL SE LOADED SUNDAY, 23 SEP BEGINNING AT 1600 IN FRONT OF THE FORWARD BOOM. FFV WILL BE PALLETIZED BY SHIP, SENT TO THE FORWARD BOOM AND SENT TO THE SECOND DECK VIA PALLET CONVEYOR.
- 2. 21 VANS, CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 840 PALLETS OF MATERIAL WILL BE UNSTUFFED AND LOADED ABOARD WHITE PLAINS AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE ON 23 AND 24 SEP.
- 3. THE VANS WILL BE STAGED ALONG THE PIER, DOORS OPENING TOWARDS WHITE PLAINS WITH THE FOLLOWING COMMODITIES:

175 PALLETS FREEZE
74 PALLETS CHILL
224 PALLETS DRY
40 PALLETS UHT
27 SALLETS SODA
24 PALLETS SHIP STORE STOCK
APPROXIMATELY 275 PALLETS OF FLEET FREIGHT/GSK.

# VANS	COMMODITY		-
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3	FREEZE	:	
1 A	DBV/ SIEET ERSTOUT	7 GCF	-

## 4. LOADING PLAN:

- A. DRY STORES WILL BE LOADED BY THE AFT BOOM AND STRUCK -BELOW BY PALLET CONVEYOR.
- B. WHITE PLAINS GSK WILL BE SEGREGATED ON THE PIER BY CARGO HOLD, LOADED AT THE FORWARD BOOM, AND TAKEN TO THE APPROPRIATE CARGO HOLDS FOR RECEIPT PROCESSING AND STOWAGE.
- C. SODA AND UHT WILL BE LOADED AT THE FORWARD BOOM AND DECK LOADED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ENCLOSED DIAGRAM.

  D. CHILL AND FREEZE WILL BE LOADED AT THE FORWARD BOOM
- MONDAY MORNING BEGINNING AT 0730.

  E. FLEET FREIGHT WILL BE PALLETIZED ON THE PIER BY SHIP, AND SENT TO THE FLIGHT DECK BY CRANE. FLEET FREIGHT WILL BE NETTED BY THE ROMEO CARGO TEAM FOR VERTREF.

## MEMORANDUM

<del>18</del> Oct 90

From: Cargo Officer

To: Chaplain

Via: Supply Officer

Subj: 1990 Deployment statistics

1. Below is a compilation of statistics from 11 Aug 90 to 13 Oct 90.

COMMODITY	1989	19 <b>90</b>	CHANGE	
FREEZE	853	889	+41	
CHILL	1296	1118	-14%	
DRY	1271	1469	+16%	
SHIP STORE	208	269	+29%	
GSK	512	652	+27%	
FL/FREIGHT	2233	1466	-34%	
3054	<del></del>	566		
GHT	297	140	53%	<ul> <li>A series of the control of the control</li></ul>
MATL	123	10	-92%	
TOTAL	7766	· ·	-14% ======	OVERALL PALLET COUNT
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# DAYS DEFLOYED	9 <b>5</b> .	54	-33%	
AVE PALLETS/DAY	9. E2	and the second s		AVERAGE PALLETS PER DAY
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AVE: LBS/DAY	102184	130449 +	28.245	POUNDS PER DAY INCREASE

======= 4174 TONS OF CARGO

# BREAKDOWN BY TYPE OF REPLENISHMENT

	1989	1990	CHANGE
Vicinity in the second	50.03	4547	-689
DOMESTIC	1450	1704	+254
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TO ret	7765	5679	-1087

FOR VISUAL PURPOSES THE CARGO TRANSFERRED WOULD BE: # TRACTOR-TRAILER TRUCKS 208.7 32 PALLETS PER TRUCK MILES LONG (TRUCK 55 FT) 2.2

PALLETS LINED UP

WOULD BE (4 FEET/PALLET) 5.1 MILES LONG

# IP REPLENISHMENT EVOLUTIONS (STORES)

107 VERTREP

21 UNREP

128 TOTAL

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SUPPORTED 48 SHIRE DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY WITH STORES AND CR

: MAJOR ONLOAD OF GSK/DRY/CHILL/FREEZE/FLT FRT IN SUBIC

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7 DN'-CADS OF FEV AT THE N.A.S. RESUPPLY PORT

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STORES LOADED IN SUBIC 1300 PALLETS (812 TONS) STORES LOADED IN N.A.5 3900 PALLETS (112 CONTAINER VANS. 87 GENERAL, 19 FREEZE, 6 HILL) (2450 TONS) FFV LOADED IN N.A.S 720,000 LBS 1360 TONS)

TOTAL TONNAGE LOADED IN SUBIC - 812 TONS TOTAL TONNAGE LOADED IN N.A.S. - 2810 TONS

3622 TONS

NUMBER OF REQUISITIONS 17,351

CARTIED DEMANDS 16,766 World OF 1880F8 15,477

BEFFECTIVENESS

TYCOM SCAL GROSS 65 %

NET 85 %

ACTUAL

89.2 %

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